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SUBJECT: CPA – Technical Service Provider (TSP) Training Sessions

Purpose: To announce TSP training sessions.

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This bulletin is to announce Technical Service Provider (TSP) training sessions planned for mid and late March, 2006. The target audience is TSPs. However, District Conservationists, Resource Management Specialists and Area Program Specialists are encouraged to attend at the discretion of the Area Conservationist.

The training sites are:

Southwest – March 15, 2006 at the Greene County Extension Service Fairgrounds (Switz City)

Northwest – March 22, 2006 at the Tippecanoe County Extension Service office, Lafayette

Northeast – March 23, 2006 at the Peabody Public Library, Columbia City

Southeast – March 29, 2006 at the Jennings County Public Library, North Vernon

Central – March 30, 2006 at the NRCS State Office Conference Room

Registration for the trainings will start at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will start at 9:30 and end by 12:00.

Agenda items include:

- 1. On-line application process (eAuthentication & TechReg)
- 2. TSP categories and certification process
- 3. Verification process
- 4. Not-To-Exceed (NTE) rates
- 5. How/where TSPs can get technical help
- 6. Payment process
- 7. Required documentation for plans and payments
- 8. TSP selection
- 9. Quality assurance/Quality control
- 10. Liability
- 11. Nutrient management, pest management and Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) information (as time allows and needed by participants)

The State Office will contact TSPs via email and a press release. Those planning to attend the session are asked to register with Lisa Bolton by email at lisa.bolton@in.usda.gov or by phone at 317-290-3200, ext. 342. Please direct all questions regarding these training sessions to Tony Bailey at (317) 290-3200, ext. 345.

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